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THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF THE COMMUNIQUE, INCLUDING UK
RESERVATION, FROM THE JUST-CONCLUDED DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING
ON NATO AEW. REPORT AND COMMENT FOLLOW SEPTTEL.
BEGIN TEXT:

THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC
TREATY ORGANISATION MET IN MINISTERIAL SESSION IN BRUSSELS
ON 25TH MARCH, 1977, TO DISCUSS A CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAMME TO
ACHIEVE A NATO AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING CAPABILITY.

2. MINISTERS REAFFIRMED THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE PROGRAMME
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AND DECIDED, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY COMPETENT AUTHORITIES THAT:

(A) AN AWACS EARLY WARNING SYSTEM WILL BE ESTABLISHED;

(B) DETAILS OF NATIONALLY SUITABLE COST SHARING
AND SOME OTHER STILL OPENED QUESTIONS WILL BE
WORKED OUT RAPIDLY;

(C) GOVERNMENTS WILL TAKE ALL POSSIBLE STEPS TO
ESTABLISH AN AGREED CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAMME BY

1ST JULY, 1977.

3. THE UNITED KINGDOM DEFENCE MINISTER, WHILE ENDORSING FULLY THE IMPORTANCE OF THE PROVISION OF AN AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING SYSTEM FOR THE ALLIANCE AS A WHOLE ON THE BASIS OF COLLECTIVE DECISION AND COMMON FUNDING, RESERVES THE POSITION OF HIS GOVERNMENT AS TO THE BEST WAY IN WHICH HIS GOVERNMENT COULD MAKE ITS CONTRIBUTION.

END TEXT.
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